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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Restriction Requirement mailed on May 21, 2002, for which a response is due on June 21, 2002. Since this response is timely filed, i.e., by June 21, 2002, no fee is required for filing this Response.

Claims 1-54 are restricted to groups I - II.

In response to the Election/Restriction requirement, Applicant elects Group I (Claims 1-47) without traverse.

Applicant expressly reserves the right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

Applicant requests examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing <u>514572000100</u>. However, the Assistant Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Dated: June 2, 2002

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